





## Bald Heads Covered

With Luxuriant Hair and Healthy Scalp Cleaned and Purified by Cuticura Soap.

Assisted by dressings of Cuticura, the great skin-cure. This treatment at once stops falling hair, removes crusts, scales and dandruff, destroy hair parasites, soothes irritated itching surfaces, stimulates the hair follicles, loosens the scalp, skin, supplies the roots with energy and nourishment, and makes the hair grow upon a sweet, wholesome, healthy scalp when all else fails.

Cuticura is natural and internal treatment for every humor, from pimples to scrofula, from infant to age, consisting of Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills, price \$1.00. A single set is often sufficient to cure.

## Anxiety

Tramp (outside the gate)—Does your dog bite?

Mrs. Weptonish (on the porch)—Yes, he does, and—please don't come in. We are so particular about what we feed him on!—Somerville Journal.

Opals are so soft when first taken from the mines that pieces can be picked off with the fingers.

## JOYS OF MATERNITY

### A WOMAN'S BEST HOPES REALIZED

Mrs. Fotts tells how women should prepare for motherhood.

The darkest days of husband and wife are when they expect to look forward to a child, and especially if a woman's wife has found herself the victim of moth-eaten owing to a displacement of the womb or lack of strength in the generative organs.



Mrs. Anna Dotts

Frequent backache and distressing pains, accompanied by irregular discharges and changes, are often caused by irregular and hasty menstruation, indigestion, and nervous degeneration of the womb and surrounding organs.

The question that troubles women is how can a woman who has some female trouble bear healthy children?

Mrs. Anna Dotts, of 54 Park Avenue, Hot Springs, Ark., writes:

My dear Mrs. Phlum—

"During the early part of my married life I was unfortunate."

"I was very anxious for a child to bless our home, but I was unsuccessful, and could not conceive, and I was very anxious."

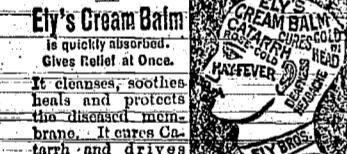
"I was cured by Lydia E. Pinckney's Vegetable Compound and Tonic Tincture."

"I am so grateful for the love and help given me by my husband and wife, and I have no more bearing-down pains, and feel like a new woman. Within a year I became the mother of a strong healthy child, the joy of my life."

"Lydia E. Pinckney's Vegetable Compound is a certain and splendid remedy, and I wish every woman who wants to become a mother would try it."

Actual sterility in women is very rare. If any woman thinks she is sterile, let her try Lydia E. Pinckney's Vegetable Compound and write to Mrs. Pinckney, Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free to expectant or would-be mothers.

## A Positive CATARACT CURE



Mrs. Anna Dotts

That convention of dressmakers decided that waists must be smaller this season.

"I'm so sorry."

"For yourself?"

"More, my! For June Puffeigh and Lucy Waudles," Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Lewis "Single Blinder" The richest quality eyewear on the market at straight quality. Always reliable. You pay 10c for cigar or by mail. Trial Size 10-ets, by mail.

Lewis Brothers, 94 Warren Street, New York.

If afflicted with Thompson's Eye Water, use Eyes, use Thompson's Eye Water.

It is wrong for you to suffer from Constipation, Bowel and Stomach Trouble when there is a positive natural and harmless cure—MULL'S GRAPE TONIC.

Have you noticed the large number of Typhoid Fever cases lately? Typhoid Fever—Malaria, Appendicitis, Impure Blood, Pimples, Sick Headaches, Skin Disease, Phlegm, Female Troubles, Stomach Troubles, Heart Troubles, etc., are the result of Constipation.

There is a remedy now to be had that cures these troubles absolutely.

A full sized bottle is furnished you free to prove it.

Remember we give only one bottle to each family. If your druggist fails to supply you with Mull's Grape Tonic send us this coupon together with name and address of the druggist and we will mail you a bottle.

Try all the druggists before you write us as the bottle he is authorized to give you for this coupon is three times as large as the one we are allowed to send by mail.

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I hereby certify that I have never taken Mull's Grape Tonic, that I will apply for only one free bottle, that I will not sell or give it away and that I will take it myself for Constipation, Bowel and Stomach Trouble as soon as I obtain it.

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Retail Druggist, sign your name here.

Your address here.

NO ONE BUT THE WHOLESALE DRUGGIST MUST SIGN THIS:

TO THE JOBBER: You will please accept this coupon if the same is properly signed, and give to the retailer buying the retail size. This is a guarantee that the consumer will be given a full refund if the consumer properly signed by the consumer, retailer and yourself.

Jobber, sign your name here.

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MULL'S GRAPE TONIC CO., Makers, No. 21 Third Ave., Rock Island, Ill.

## VISITING OLD SOUTH.

Another Building in America—the Scene of More Thrilling Events.

An alert boy of 12 or 13 years, visiting Boston for the first time, was asked what historical building he would like to visit first, and he replied very promptly:

"The Old South Meeting-house, I like to see places in which there have been something doing in the past."

"They did things in the Old South Meeting-house, both before and during the Revolution, didn't they?"

"Indeed they did. No building in America has been the scene of more thrilling events than has this ancient house of worship."

"Had this boy, who was eager to see the Old South Meeting-house because of all that it stands for, been in Boston on the 10th day of last April, he might have gone into the time-honored old building in company with hundreds of other boys, and a great many girls, who came from all parts of the city to be present at the 'Children's Hour' in the Old South. This is a semi-annual event in Boston. It is a

part of what is called the 'Old South Work,' which is a good work having for its chief purpose the helping of the young people of Boston and America into an intimate knowledge of early American history.

On this 20th day of April the Old South Meeting-house was packed with boys and girls from the public schools to hear about William Blackstone, the first settler in the city of Boston. A large orchestra of boys and girls from one of the public schools played patriotic airs, and I remember that at one

"Children's Hour" in the Old South School, the boys sang the ode which was composed and sung when President George Washington visited Boston in 1789. You see that they still do things of a patriotic nature in this old meeting-house—hallowed, as it is, by memories of Washington and Adams and Otis and Hancock and all the good men and men who helped to give our country the most valued possession—Independence.—St. Nicholas.

The Senate gave practically all of its time Tuesday to listening to the reading of the President's message. The document received the closest attention. President Roosevelt's message received the attention of the House for two and a half hours, and it was applauded. The House received and ordered referred to one of the regular election committees a protest from the Fifth Congressional District of Illinois stating that Anthony Michael, who was sworn in as a member of the House from that district, is not a citizen of the United States.

On motion of Mr. Goldfarb of New York a resolution was read expressing the sympathy of the American people for the distressed Russian Jews.

The Senate began business in earnest Wednesday, several hundred bills and resolutions being introduced. A resolution directing the committee on judiciary to inquire into and report whether under the Constitution Congress has authority to supervise marine fire and life insurance was adopted without debate. At 1:30 p. m. the Senate went into executive session, confirming the appointment of Secretary of State Root, Assistant Secretary of State Palmer, and Justice of the Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia, McNamee. The House in committee of the whole, considered the proposed \$100,000,000 bill for the Panama canal, after the committee on rules had prepared a rule to give consideration to the measure, and providing for additional debate.

The Senate on Thursday adopted a resolution directing the committee on naval affairs to investigate the condition of the old frigate Constitution with a view to her removal. Mr. Gilman's resolution, calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for information as to financial contributions by national banks, was adopted. The Senate on Friday voted to appropriate \$100,000,000 for the Panama canal, without opposition after adopting an amendment by Mr. Bourne of Colorado cutting the amount down \$10,000,000, and \$10,000,000 and \$10,000,000.

On motion of Mr. Gilman's resolution, the bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

Rodrick—What has become of that tall butler who was so polite?

Van Albert—He is not here any more.

Rodrick—You don't say? Why, he seemed to be an excellent chap. Used to follow your coat and hat as soon as you entered the door.

Van Albert—That's the butler. He took about a dozen coats and hats one day and then left.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take a few drops of the following tincture, repeat doses, if it fails to cure.

E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Sisterly Receipt.

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## CONGRESS

### Greatest of All Idiots.

See the Practical Joker. He is not much of a sight, but still he is worth looking at as a Curiosity, as a Study in Uncommon Cussedness. The Practical Joker is the offspring of astuteness run to seed. He is what was left over after the rest of the world was created. There was a Slight Surplus, a mere fraction, not enough to make a Computer Man, so the Scraps were scraped up, pressed together and molded into a Practical Joker. The Job was not patented. Nobody thinks enough of the invention to patent it.

You couldn't sell Practical Jokers for 3 cents a bunch if you should stand out on the corner of Fifth and Morrison streets and spell-tell-your-vocal-cords got tied into double bow-knots. The public is aware of the Shell Game when it sees the layout. The Practical Joker is an Escaped Jester from the Idiotville Asylum, but he is by no means a harmless idiot. When recognized he should be roped forthwith and hauled back to his native and natural environment, the Padded Cell, Portland, Oregon.

### AILING WOMEN.

Keep the Kidneys Well and the Kidneys Will Keep You Well.

Sick, suffering, languid women are learning the true cause of bad backs and how to cure them. Mrs. W. G. Davis, of Grossbeck, Texas, says: "Backaches hurt me so I could hardly stand.

Spells of dizziness and sick headaches were frequent and the action of the kidneys was irregular.

Soon after I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills I passed several gravel-stones. I got well and the trouble has not returned. My back is good and my general health better.

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

### HARSH MEASURES.

Old-time I want that Jim Mantin to be cured of his kidney trouble.

We the undersigned have known F. J. Cheney for the past 15 years, and believe him perfectly qualified and financially able to carry out my instructions made by him.

WILLIAM KENNAN & MARVIN

W. C. Phelan, Druggist, Louisville, Ky.

John C. Harkness, Louisville, Ky.

John

## Crawford Avalanche.

### Additional Local Matter

O. PALMER, Editor and Proprietor.

RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION.

One Year \$1.00

Six Months .50

Three Months .25

Entered as second-class matter at the Post Office, Grayling, Mich., under the Act of Congress of March 3, 1893.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 14.

### A YEAR OLD TO DAY.

A year ago this morning there was no AVALANCHE office in Michigan.

During the night our entire plant had

been wiped off the map. It was a

clean sweep, and cost more to clean

up the debris than the value of all

that was saved, but we did not miss a

note. Taking our office force to the

dying Times office, we got our paper

out Friday morning, a day later, for

the second time in over twenty years.

We bought the corpse of the Times

bought our present office building,

and have to day running, four power press

es and a larger and better assortment

of type and material than ever. Our

thanks are tendered to our patrons, as

we believe our success is proof that

they approve our course. We expect

to keep right on "sawing wood" for

the good of Grayling and Crawford

County, "while the lamp holds, out to

burn," etc., &c.

### By the "Cat" House Route

There was once a rounded dollar in

the jeans of Farmer Jones, which

timidly jingled with a similar bunch

of "bones." And Farmer Jones had

some plunk took and paid a debt

he owed, and so it went a-traveling on

a debtor-lightening road. It visited

the editor, who sent it to Grayling, who

owed bill to Jenkins, and he paid the

same that day. And Jenkins bought

goosies for to keep his "tootsies" dry

and the shoe man paid a grocer by the

gentle name of Frye. Now, Frye who

needed flour, paid it over to the miller,

which, wanting wheat for grinding,

paid it back to Jones' till. And thus

it was Jones' dollar, after paying debts

a score, went round the whole home

circuit some more and then some

more. But one day from a "cat" house,

in Chicago or Kay See, there came a

"whalin' booklet," most wondrous

strange to see. It had a million pictures,

it told a million tales, and it had

for sale most everything, from nut-

megs up to whales. It said the retail

merchant was a robber-in-disguise,

and it proved that Ananias was no

longer prince of lies. And Jones, he

read that volume and reveled in the

same. He swallowed all it told him

and he went against the game. He

went the same round dollar for a "skin

mil' butter-churn," he got it, and he

found it wasn't worth a tinker's dern.

The carpet for the parlor, the "all

wool" suit for Bill—he found was three

parts shoddy and the rest no good was

nil. And the well full hat for Sustie,

couched in words so sweet and clear,

was—breath the whisper gently of a

vintage yester year. And so the good

round dollar, and others of the same,

went off the old home circuit against

the "cat" house game. The butcher

and the baker, the tax collector, the

grocer and the miller, and others

not a few, no longer saw the dollar on

its debt-removing way. It had joined

the "cat" house profits; it had gone

and gone to stay. Manufacturer and

Merchant.

According to reports, a gang of

sharers are working through the

state with a scheme to sell school

boards a set of books on agriculture,

claiming that they are required by the

law recently enacted. The grafters

ask a high price for the books and

those in a position to know, say, the

books are not worth a fourth of the

price asked. County superintendents

have been notified to be on the look-

out for them.

The number of students at the Uni-

versity of Michigan is 409 greater than

last year, there now being 4117. The

greater gain is in the literary and in-

engineering departments, while in the

medical department there is a de-

crease. No other law school in

the United States has as many

students as the University.

### Judge Correspondence.

Mr. Ed. Douglas is having electric

lights put into the store and dwelling

so the inmates may dwell in light

rather than darkness.

Mr. McElroy gave an oyster supper

to his friends on Thursday evening.

All report a good time.

Mrs. Geo. Gibson has gone to Gay-

lord to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Jos. Day, who moved there recently from

Lovells.

The Johannesburg train has again

changed time and hereafter will not

run to Lewiston.

Mrs. Alice Swegle expects to start

for Hancock, Mich., in the upper penin-

sula, this week, where she intends to

make her home.

Mrs. Little Owen is sojourning in

Lovells and enjoying its city life.

Three cases of measles reported in

town.

Treas. of Beaver Creek township.

SELU.

### Statement of Liquor Tax,

CRAWFORD COUNTY,  
COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE,  
Grayling, Mich., Dec. 4, 1905.

The following is a full and complete report of taxes collected or received by me at my office, upon the business of selling or keeping for sale or manufacturing distilled or brewed or malt liquors, during the year ending December 4, 1905.

A. P. W. BECKER, Co. Treas.  
Crest Marson, Grayling, place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

W. May 1, 1905.

Joseph C. Burton, Grayling place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

W. May 1, 1905.

Ella Neil, Grayling, place of doing

business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

James C. Foreman, Grayling, place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

John Benson, Grayling, place of doing

business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

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Nels P. Michelson, Grayling, place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

John Russmann, Johannesburg, place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$500.00.

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Peter L. Lovell, Grayling, place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$488.00.

Frank S. Burges, Grayling, place of

doing business, Grayling, Mich., \$488.00.

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James Smith Frederic, place of doing

business, Frederic, Mich., \$500.00.

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## Crawford Avalanche.

GRAYLING, THURSDAY, DEC. 41.

### Local and Neighborhood News.

#### Take Notice.

The date following your address on this paper shows to what time your subscription is paid. Our terms are one dollar per year in ADVANCE. If your time is up, please renew promptly. A X following your name means we want our money.

All advertisements, communications, correspondences, etc., must reach us by Tuesday noon, and can not be considered later.

Over 300 papers of this issue are marked with an X following the address, to remind you that the time for which your subscription is paid, has expired, and that we need the money now to pay taxes and get shoes for the children. Do not forget it, but look and see if such a mark follows your name.

Xmas candies at Sorenson's. Photos \$1.00 a dozen and up.

Novelty photos at Laur's old stand. Penny photos at the Novelty gallery. Choice apples at Metcalf's market. Souvenir Post-Cards at the Novelty Gallery.

Finest candies in the city at Sorenson's.

Novelty Gallery open every day and all day.

Buy Xmas presents at Fournier's Drug Store.

Buy your Xmas presents at Sorenson's.

Something entirely new in pictures at Fournier's.

Wanted: Small potatoes for pig feed. Enquire at this office.

Gift books for the young and old, at Fournier's.

Xmas Cards and Booklets at Fournier's.

Best assortment of Holiday goods at Sorenson's.

Come to Sorenson's for Xmas presents.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Olney Johnson, Dec. 8th, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, Dec. 3rd, a daughter.

Dressmaking and plain sewing done. Will try and please you. Mrs. L. B. Tower.

Don't fail to see our display of Holiday Goods, it beats them all. Fournier's Drug Store.

Use "Cold Breakers" every box guaranteed to break a cold, or money refunded 25 cents at Fournier's Drug Store.

Everybody will read the supplement in this issue giving list of lands delinquent for taxes, which will be sold in May next.

Tax paying is the order of the day, and the way it starts in proves that the past season has been a prosperous one in this section.

Anybody and everybody who wants a steigh, heavy medium or light, can find them here, the best in the market and at right prices. O. PATRICK.

I am receiving new pieces of hand-painted-china-right-a-long. Christmas orders taken now, for anything desired. Call in and see us at the new store. MISS PETERSEN.

Jas. W. Sorenson returned from ten months absence in the west, last week looking hale and hearty and is well pleased with the management of the boys during his absence.

Read N. P. Olson's announcement of holiday goods on last page. He means business, and will please you. There will be no need of going away from home this year for Xmas goods.

Dressmaking and ladies tailor made coats and suits. Satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. G. N. Snelling, Sleight House, one block north of school house, nov 23-1m house.

W. Sorenson has some good news for our citizens on the first page which will make their old customers happy, and draw many new ones. Give them a careful reading.

Miss Williams has received a fine lot of hand painted china for sale with an assortment of Christmas goods. Ladies are invited to call and look over the stock before deciding on their purchases.

Anyone wishing articles in lace work or embroidery pillows, fancy collars, etc., for holidays, can have their wants supplied by calling on Mrs. H. J. Osborne at her home at the M. C. Dining Hall. Also fancy work materials at cost prices.

**HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES.** The M. C. R. R. will sell round trip tickets for the Holidays for one and one-third fare to all points on their lines in the United States. Dates of sale, Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and Jan. 1. Return limit January 3, 1906. Call on your ticket agent for full particulars.

M. C. R. R. to Canada for the Holidays. Our friends from over the border will be glad to take advantage of the holiday rates given by the M. C. Railroad, first class fare for round trip, for only one fare. On sale Dec. 14, 15, 16 and 17, to return leaving Canada not later than Jan. 6, 1906. No tickets to be sold east of Canfield, Canada.

Nuts and fruits for Christmas at H. C. Schmidt.

Mrs. Charles McCullough spent last Sunday at the parental home in Gaylord.

J. L. Hannes and wife went to Grand Rapids last Monday as a delegate to the State Grange.

Anything and everything for Xmas presents can be found at Sorenson's. Their stock has no equal.

Dr. Griffin came up from Roscommon Monday. He is steadily improving in health, though slowly.

For sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVAANCHE office.

Thomas Woodfield of Jackson, well remembered as one of our pioneers, is in town combining pleasure and business.

E. N. Salting of Manistee was in town this week on his regular business visit for the coming year. He is always welcome.

Any parties wanting large photos for Xmas will do well to call Dec. 16 and 17. Mr. Laur will be here with his large camera.

The members of Crawford Hive 690 L. O. T. M. are requested to be present at the meeting tomorrow evening. Special business.

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## Farmer's Institute.

The Farmer's Institute for Crawford County, Monday and Tuesday was not nearly so largely attended as it deserved, though representative men were present from every part of the county, and those who have proved their faith by their works. Hon. Peter Vorhies, of Oakland County presented the subject of "Forage Crops for Farmers," in such a forcible and practical manner as gave food for thought to every person present, which will bear fruit, as indicated by the quiet discussion after, of new ideas absorbed from his remarks. Mr. Vorhies has been here before, and

for sewing machines, the best in the market, and at the lowest price, call at the AVAANCHE office.

Thomas Woodfield of Jackson, well remembered as one of our pioneers, is in town combining pleasure and business.

E. N. Salting of Manistee was in town this week on his regular business visit for the coming year. He is always welcome.

Any parties wanting large photos for Xmas will do well to call Dec. 16 and 17. Mr. Laur will be here with his large camera.

The members of Crawford Hive 690 L. O. T. M. are requested to be present at the meeting tomorrow evening. Special business.

Novelty photos at Laur's old stand. Penny photos at the Novelty gallery. Choice apples at Metcalf's market. Souvenir Post-Cards at the Novelty Gallery.

Finest candies in the city at Sorenson's.

Novelty Gallery open every day and all day.

Buy Xmas presents at Fournier's Drug Store.

Buy your Xmas presents at Sorenson's.

Something entirely new in pictures at Fournier's.

Wanted: Small potatoes for pig feed. Enquire at this office.

Gift books for the young and old, at Fournier's.

Xmas Cards and Booklets at Fournier's.

Best assortment of Holiday goods at Sorenson's.

Come to Sorenson's for Xmas presents.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Olney Johnson, Dec. 8th, a daughter.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, Dec. 3rd, a daughter.

Dressmaking and plain sewing done. Will try and please you. Mrs. L. B. Tower.

Don't fail to see our display of Holiday Goods, it beats them all. Fournier's Drug Store.

Use "Cold Breakers" every box guaranteed to break a cold, or money refunded 25 cents at Fournier's Drug Store.

Everybody will read the supplement in this issue giving list of lands delinquent for taxes, which will be sold in May next.

Tax paying is the order of the day, and the way it starts in proves that the past season has been a prosperous one in this section.

Anybody and everybody who wants a steigh, heavy medium or light, can find them here, the best in the market and at right prices. O. PATRICK.

I am receiving new pieces of hand-painted-china-right-a-long. Christmas orders taken now, for anything desired. Call in and see us at the new store. MISS PETERSEN.

Jas. W. Sorenson returned from ten months absence in the west, last week looking hale and hearty and is well pleased with the management of the boys during his absence.

Read N. P. Olson's announcement of holiday goods on last page. He means business, and will please you. There will be no need of going away from home this year for Xmas goods.

Dressmaking and ladies tailor made coats and suits. Satisfaction guaranteed. Mrs. G. N. Snelling, Sleight House, one block north of school house.

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## Are You Looking For Christmas Presents IF SO,

we have concluded, for want of more room for our Grocery Department, to close out our Men's Furnishing Goods, consisting of Men's Underwear, Overshirts, Collars, Cuffs, Neck-wear, Handkerchiefs, Men's and Boys' Sweaters, etc.

It all goes at a great Bargain.

Our Grocery Stock is complete, and we can furnish you with the best in the land.

Yours to please

## H. PETERSEN,

The New Store.

## 10, for a SCHOOL BAG

## 100 FREE 100 School Bags

If you are already using "Sleepy Eye" Flour, we need not offer you a premium to induce you to buy another sack, but to induce those who have never used it

A HANFY SCHOOL BAG FREE

with every sack of Prize-Winning "SLEEPY EYE" FLOUR

long as the hundred last

COME QUICKLY.

## CONNINE & CO.

## THAT "SLEEPY EYE" FLOUR

Won Grand Prize, World's Fair, St. Louis.

## BLOOD DISEASED MEN

If you ever contracted any blood disease, you are never safe unless the disease is eradicated from the body. The best treatment for blood diseases is the use of the "Sleepy Eye" Flour. Treatment is guaranteed to cure you.

Mr. E. A. C. writes: "Your remedies have done me good, and I am now well again. I have been suffering from a blood disease for over 20 years. No pains used without written consent."

# The Avalanche

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DETROIT, MICHIGAN

## CLING TO FOOTBALL.

### GAME NOT TO BE ABOLISHED, BUT REFORMED.

Representatives of Several Colleges Vote Belief that It Is Good Sport, but Needs Changing—Klondikers Miss a Good Thing.

Football is not to be abolished, not even in the smaller colleges. By a vote of 14 to 8 the delegates to the McCormick conference, which was held at the Murray Hill Hotel in New York, adopted a resolution declaratory that it was the opinion of the thirty-three representatives present that football should not be abolished but reformed. The resolution was in the form of an amendment offered by West Point to a resolution introduced by New York, indicating that nothing in the game as it is now played interfered with the spirit of the resolution offered by Lieut. Col. Robert L. Hawes, who with Capt. John E. Pierce represented the military academy as the meeting was on its feet with a protest. He declared that football was a dangerous and uncertain game at West Point, would never vote for its abolition. He admitted, however, that the sport was in an urgent need of reform and offered a resolution advocating the reform and not the abolition of the game. After an hour's discussion in which nearly everyone present aired his views on the situation pretty thoroughly, the amendment was adopted. The resolution of importance because it was learned from a trustworthy source that Harvard and Brown are in favor of reforming the game presented by West Point.

### OIL BOOTS WITH AMBERGRIS.

Alaskan Gold Hunters Seem Fortunate to Know and Do Not Know It. George Scherer, who has just returned from Alaska, has discovered that he and his companions greased their boots, ears, masts and everything else that needed it with ambergris, worth \$20 an ounce, and three or four more than they used in the belief that it was ordinary grease. Scherer, being a prudent fellow, saved five ounces in a pickle bottle for future use. The bottle was dropped into his bag and forgotten. The other day, curiously to know what his storekeeper had to say to it, he was told that who offered \$75 for the contents of the bottle, then the tenth demand upon him. He says he and his companions, who found the seal in quantities in arctic waters, but never dreamed of its value, other than as a good lubricant.

### SWALLOWING PINE NO ACCIDENT.

Kansas Supreme Court Rules Out Claim for Insurance Against Swallowing Pine. A suit was filed in the federal court according to a resolution handed down by the Kansas Supreme Court, concerning the claim of Mr. E. L. Barnes, a traveling salesman, who was laid up several weeks after an operation for the removal of a pine from his sinews. He had an accident, paid for it, and sued the company for \$100 a week while he was disabled.

**No Coal Strike Next Spring.** There will be no strike of the anthracite miners next spring. A fact affidavit has been drafted by the representatives of the miners and operators. This statement was made by one of the largest individual operators in the anthracite region and confirmed in substance by an official of the United Mine Workers.

**T. W. Lawson Mortgages Home.** Thomas W. Lawson has within a few days mortgaged his home on Beacon street, Boston, for \$265,000, and is busy with his financial affairs. It is said in some quarters that his battle with the "system" has been a losing one, and that his long campaign in the stock market has cost him the greater part of his fortune.

**Found Novel Chair at Yale.** Yale has received from two anonymous donors not connected with the university by graduation or otherwise, a gift of \$75,000, which, subject to certain annuities, will be used to found a new and somewhat novel lecture, entitled "The Inter-Relation of Religion, Science and Philosophy."

**Ward Mukos Shortage Good.** John E. Ward, ex-admiral general of India, removed from office by Gov. Harry, has paid into the State treasury the full amount of the shortage charged against him.

**Great Lakes Take Many Lives.** A total of 215 lives were lost on the great lakes during the season of navigation just closed; the figures being much larger than for any previous year since the opening of the big waterway.

**Dr. Mori Changes Plea.** Dr. Oliver B. Hart, who killed Irene Kloster, 10 years old; Oct. 5, in Rogers Park, a Chicago suburb, has withdrawn his plea of not guilty. Judge Barnes took the case under advisement.

**Buffalo Bills' Horses Killed.** All the horses belonging to "Buffalo Bill's" wild west show were killed at Marseilles, France, in order to prevent the spread of glanders.

**Armed Banker Burns in House.** James J. Blodgett, a hermit banker of Hermitage, N. Y., perished in his house, which burned to the ground. He was a millionaire and graduated from Yale college with the class of 1850.

**Admits \$1,300 Theft.**

Patriot Mountain, treasurer of Belpre, Ohio, 1,300 United Mine Workers, was arrested in Scranton, Pa., for stealing \$1,300 from the local treasury. He admitted his guilt and said he lost the money in gambling and dissipation. He was sent to jail.

**Silk Skirts Not a Necessity.** Silk skirts are not a necessity for wives and husbands cannot be compelled to pay for them, Judge Gates ruled in a suit in the Circuit Court in Kansas City. The suit was brought about by Carlton King's refusal to pay a bill of \$10.50 for a silk skirt purchased by his wife.

**Fire Burns Entire Block.** One whole block of the business portion of Solway, Mich., was destroyed by fire. On account of a strong north wind the city's fire department was unable to gain control of the fire. The total loss is \$50,000.

### WIND, POLE AND PASSAGE

Norway Explorers' Remarkable Arctic Discoveries.

Major Glasius, in charge of the government cable office in Seattle, has received a message addressed to Nansen, the Norwegian explorer, at Christiania, from Captain Ronald Amundsen of the ship *Gjøa* at Fort Egbert, Eagle City, Alaska, telling of a trip by dog team from Herschel Island to Eagle City. While the message is incomplete in detail, it purports to be from a member of an exploring party sent out by Nansen and states that the party is safe with the ship *Gjøa*, wintering at Icy Bay point. The trip from Herschel to Eagle City was made up the Mackenzie river to the Peel river and over the divide to Fort Egbert, through an entirely uninhabited country and a section that is practically unexplored. Captain Amundsen, who set out in a small craft with a crew of eight men, found the north magnetic pole, whose discovery is originally ascribed to Ross in 1857, although scientists doubt that Ross really located this elusive guide to the compasses of the world. The north magnetic pole has been generally assumed by geographers to be in the Baffin Bay peninsula of the American continent and close to King Williams island. It is supposed to be a shifting sphere of influence, though its variations are not great. Having gone from Greenland to a point in the vicinity of Herschel Island, it would seem as though Amundsen has at last found the northwest passage for which Arctic explorers have been searching for years.

### SMOTHER IN COAL MINE.

Men Are Trapped in Hole by Smoke and Suffocated.

At Norton in Cabin Creek, W. Va., five coal miners were suffocated and two others nearly killed. They were working in a drift mine when the wooden stack of the ventilating furnace caught fire and was consumed. The men outside huddled themselves with rags to put out the fire. Falling in, they have no need to those in the mine, not suspecting their danger. There was a strong draft from the burning stack directly into the mouth of the mine, and the smoke rushed in with overwhelming fury. The miners who were in the more remote sections of the mine were unable to get out and were overcome with the smoke. Of the seven caught two were resuscitated after being brought out. The Norton mine is the property of the Carlisle Coal Company, which has eight or ten mines in the Cabin Creek field.

### BOYS' HABIT TO STONE TRAINS.

PENNSYLVANIA CHURCH SAYS There Was No Debris Around President.

A report on the throwing of the missile which broke windows in the President's train near Frankfort, Pennsylvania, has been made to Frank J. Shepard, general superintendent of the Pennsylvania railroad. Mr. Shepard says: "The conductor of the train reports that the missile was aumbrella. It is a habit of boys there to throw stones at passing trains. It is hardly possible that the missile could have been thrown by any one who had any design against the President, for it would be difficult to pick out any special car from the bridges, even if it were known in which one the President sat. We have been figuring on how to stop the stone-throwing business."

### INDIA'S CAPITAL DESTROYED.

Restoration Demanded by Indiana Governor—Short in Accounts. Indiana's adjutant general, Col. John E. Ward, has received an official of Indiana's legislature with an investigation of his accounts. The investigating committee claims there is a shortage of \$87,000 in the results of publishing the state's first edition of the law of the four companies of the Indiana National Guard, which was for the sum of \$100,000. Col. Ward was appointed adjutant general by Gov. W. T. Durbin and was re-appointed by Gov. Hendry. He was adjutant of the One Hundred and Sixty-first regiment in the Indiana National Guard.

### ROBES OF KANSAS BANKER.

White Mrs. P. G. Walker, wife of the president of the First National Bank in Anthony, Kan., sat reading at her home a tilted chair in the window of an adjoining room, entered and escaped, taking with him a jewel box containing a gold watch, four diamond rings and several diamond pins, valued in all at \$50,000.

### Cotton Pest Is Spreading.

In a statistical report, W. J. Clay, Texas commissioner of agriculture, says that during the last six years the cotton boll weevil has destroyed approximately 2,000,000 bales of cotton in Texas, valued at \$100,000,000. The pest has now spread to nearly every part of the Texas cotton-growing region.

### Rifoon Burned by Explosion.

An explosion in a furnace of molten steel caused serious burns to fifteen workmen at the International Harvester Company's plant in South Chicago. Three of the men may die. The explosion was caused by workmen thrusting a cold bar of steel into a furnace.

### U. S. Consul Killed at Post.

James T. Darrow, United States consul general, was instantly killed in the street in the City of Mexico. An open carriage in which he was driving with Mrs. Parsons and their son was struck by an electric car. Mrs. Parsons was slightly injured. The boy escaped without a scratch.

### Soriano Charge Against Senator.

State Senator Frank C. Furness was taken into custody by the police in Chicago on the charge of being an accessory to the killing of County Commissioner John V. Konz, whose death resulted from a knife thrust received during the election of the Thirtieth Ward Republican Club in that city.

### Field Wants New York Property.

One of the largest offers ever known for a piece of real estate in New York City has been made to Marshall Field of Chicago, who makes a cash bid of \$7,000,000 for a department store building.

### Woman Burned to Death with Lamp.

Doris Pope, while seated at the upper table in Bucyrus, Ohio, pulled a lighted lamp into her lap and was almost instantly enveloped in flames. She was badly burned before assistance arrived and died in a short time.

### Shoots Wife and Himself.

As the outcome of a quarrel over a \$17,000 inheritance Charles E. Horne, aged 80 years, a collector, shot his wife dead, and then killed himself in a revolver in St. Louis. Mrs. Horne's injuries are believed to be mortal.

### Shots Husband's Father.

Mrs. Philip Vaughan was shot and killed in her bedroom in Culpeper, Va., by her father-in-law, John J. Vaughan, who then committed suicide by shooting.

### No Motive is Known for the Tragedy.

Death of Senator Mitchell.

United States Senator John H. Mitchell died in Portland, Ore., as a result of complications following the extraction of four teeth.

### Depew Resigns from Equitable.

Senator Chauncy Depew of New York has tendered his resignation as a director of the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

State. He has demanded the immediate resignation of the receiver, Albert L. Tovis. The offices for the present will be in charge of a special agent of the general land office.

### FIGHT THE PARCELS POST.

Wholesale Merchants of Cities Get Up Petitions in Country.

Chicago, Milwaukee, Minneapolis and St. Paul wholesale merchants have taken up the fight against the parcels post.

The action of the wholesale houses in these cities is in concert with the work being done by large firms in other parts of the country, and a well-organized campaign is being conducted.

Nearly every man from the cities mentioned has carried a petition asking Congress to take no action in the matter of providing ways and means for the establishment of the parcels post. The signatures of business men were solicited, and those

of nearly 1,000 men were secured throughout the Northwest in protest against the measure.

The Hearst bill, providing for the transmission of parcels weighing up to twenty pounds at a rate of postage averaging about 25 cents a pound, was introduced at the last session of Congress, largely because of the opposition of the express companies and wholesale merchants.

The petitions now being circulated are in opposition to a similar measure to be introduced at the present session.

It is argued in support of the

petitions that the adoption of the

parcels post would result in closing many

retail stores throughout the country and

largely concentrate the mercantile busi-

ness in the hands of the mail order com-

panies.

These people are not to be numbered

by the tens of thousands, or by the

hundreds of thousands, but by the mil-

lions. They form an enormous propor-

tion of the inhabitants of the greatest

city in the world.

The stranger sees few of them comparatively.

He sees a splendid metropolis magnificently built,

beautifully lighted streets,

parks and squares and avenues. He sees

grand cathedrals, well-stocked

stores and busy offices.

An occasional crossing-sweeper, or a pitiful

old man, and many unemployed

people are to be seen.

These are the people who

are to be numbered by the millions.

They form an enormous propor-

tion of the inhabitants of the greatest

city in the world.

The people who are suffering don't

know and don't care particularly what

has caused their misery. They only

know they can find no one to employ

them and that in consequence they

and their families have to go without

food or apply to the Boards of Guard-

ians for relief.

They have been suffering in silence

for a long time. A few weeks ago

they began to murmur collectively.

The mutinies have been becoming

louder week by week. The outcry of

the people is becoming coherent, defi-

inite, the masses are becoming more

conscious of their misery.

Proceedings in the House.

Exactly at noon Major Alexander

MacDowell, clerk of the House, called

the body to order standing in his

place directly in front of the Speaker's

chair, which was vacant. Declaring

the House "in order" he announced

prayer by the chaplain, the Rev. Dr.

Henry N. Condon. The invocation

comprehended a review of the peaceful

and prosperous condition of the nation,

a plea for patriotic and wise legisla-

tion and concluded with a repetition of

"Lord's prayer." A roll-call by

States to show the presence of a quo-

rum was at once begun.

For an hour preceding the opening

of the Congress there were scenes of</p



## CHRISTMAS CANDLES.

# CENTRAL DRUG STORE,

NELS P. OLSON, Proprietor.

## CHRISTMAS CANDLES.

### Up-To-Date Christmas Goods.

#### We have Gifts for Ladies and Girls:

TOILET SETS—Fine ones in rose wood and french stag.

MANICURE SETS—Every woman likes them.

MUSIC ROLLS—Often just what you want.

PERFUMES—All the new odors.

MIRRORS—Hand Mirrors in all styles.

JEWEL BOXES—Some nice ones.

CONFETIONERY—“Queen City Chocolates,” the kind that always pleases.

FOUNTAIN PENS—The kind you can depend upon to write well.

## CHRISTMAS CANDLES.

# Grayling, Mich.

## Just One Year Old!

December 14, 1904.

We wish to tender our sincere thanks to those who have to any degree contributed to the success of this store during the year.

It will be our constant endeavor to try and please our customers by giving them the best of service and courteous treatment. With hearty thanks for past favors, we hope to have a share of your patronage in the future, and will as heretofore do our utmost to please you.

Sincerely Yours

J. A. MORRISON, Mgr.

## Fountain Pens!

Fountain Pens are now the constant companions of busy men and women. They are a source of enjoyment at all times, when they are good, and a constant annoyance if they are not good. We guarantee each and every pen that we sell to be perfect in every way, made of the best material, and best of all they can be depended on at all times. Price, from \$1.50 to \$6.00.

## Michigan's School For The Deaf

### Preparation Given to Deaf Children for Useful and Self-Supporting Service.

### THE GIFT OF SPEECH CAN BE TAUGHT

An impressive Scene—Mistaken Peat—  
are of the Law of 1899. Annual  
Per Capita Cost to the State

Lansing, December 4, 1905.

There has been exhibited in this correspondence in recent weeks something of the provision our state has made and is making for the welfare of the homeless, neglected, dependent and delinquent children of the state; descriptions of the noble institutions for child-rescue and child-saving at Coldwater and Adrian and Lansing, and the invaluable work those institutions are doing henceforth in its character and profitable in its results.

Those institutions admirably meet the purpose of their creation; but there are other classes of children equally in need of the protecting and fostering care of the state for whom these institutions are not adapted. Children who are not homeless, not neglected, not dependent nor delinquent, but defective or deficient in their physical or their intellectual powers. And, these command our sympathy even more than the others, and they have been earlier provided for.

The people of this state, in their constitution adopted in 1850, ordained that "Institution for the benefit of those inhabitants who are deaf, dumb, blind, or insane shall always be fostered and supported." In obedience to that mandate there was established at Flint, and opened in 1854, a school for the deaf and the blind. Experience proved that the uniting of the two classes in one institution was not the wisest way. Methods of care and instruction for the two are wholly different, and the two classes themselves have little in common in their sympathies and interests, and do not usually get on well together. So when, in 1880, the blind school was opened at Lansing, the two were separated, and the Flint institution became what it has since been, the Michigan School for the Deaf.

Eligible to this institution are all children in this state between the ages of seven and twenty-one years (and outside those age limits in the discretion of the board of managers), who are capable of attending school and profiting by instruction, but who, from defective hearing, cannot be taught in the public schools. Such are received and kept and instructed without charge except for clothing and traveling expenses, and those are provided by the school, where parents are unable

to pay the expenses, which costs them nothing, and enabling persons interested in securing an education to help to support the school.

or the junior class of the high school, and fitting for the preparatory class, in pursuit of this purpose, some have

not hesitated to leave the state school with parents of deaf children.

They are also in class taught trades, every pupil above the sixth grade being required to spend from fifteen to twenty-four hours per week, in learning some useful handicraft, enabling them to go out equipped for

self-supporting service, the industries embracing carpentry, cabinet-making, harness-making, shoemaking, tailoring, house-painting, decorating, cooking, housework, sewing, military-art department, printing, stereotyping, wood-carving, etc. The trade teaching is a valuable part of the school training in a subjective way, aiding both in discipline and in intellectual instruction.

It was the common belief, when the school was opened fifty years ago, that the deaf as a class must remain incapable of more than a very limited ac-

quaintance with the simplest forms of language, and a dim idea of the simplest truths of religion, and the rudiments of the simplest handicrafts.

They have shown, on the contrary, under adequate opportunity, as high percentage of success in intellectual

and manual attainment, as the hearing.

While in many cases they do not remain for the full course all go out with some degree of education and capaci-

ty for self-support and vocational

occupations, and are turned to the best advantage.

And another thing would have been

realized by those parents who have been led to suppose differently—that the Michigan School for the Deaf teaches speech. From the beginning

who are evidently brought to utter a word that a stranger can recognize, to the advanced oral classes who readily read the lips even of strangers and understand manuscripts, and respond well in uttered words, they support the claim of the institution when it challenges results in this line with any other in the world.

In a score of classes speech is constantly used. Music, of course, forms no part of deaf instruction. And this makes a great gap, but it is now realized by the pupils, who have

"choirs" and "sing" hymns and patriotic songs in correct language, with graceful and rhythmic motions, in perfect time, and with the keenest enjoyment of themselves and their deaf

auditors.

It was an impressive scene where all

of the three hundred and fifty gathered

for dinner in a great dining room, first

giving close attention while the super-

intendent said grace in the sign lan-

guage, and then attacking with gleeful

animation the big piles of savory food.

In the procuring, preservation and

preparation of the provisions for that

was authorized in places where three

or more pupils could be secured, and

ten cities in the state now have such

schools, with a total attendance of one

hundred and eight. A mistaken fea-

ture in that law was the payment of the entire expense by the state, which

results in a carelessness compliance on

the part of localities toward the estab-

lishment of schools, which costs them

nothing, and enabling persons inter-

ested in securing an education to help

to support the school.

It is a per capita rate, the superintend-

ent, Mr. Francis J. Clarke, has occu-

pied the position thirteen years, and

was for seven years before that super-

intendent of the Arkansas school, with

earlier experience in New York.

### WHY THE GOODS ARE SO HIGH

Different Stories Told by the Merchant and His Misch.

An old woman once asked in a dry goods store to be shown some silk.

A young clerk showed her some.

"We can do this for you at \$1.00 a yard," the woman asked for something better, but the clerk replied

that they had nothing better. Whereupon the proprietor came forward and said:

"You must excuse my assistant,

madam; he is new to the business.

Here, madam, is a superior article,

\$2.00 a yard. If it were not for the

fact that I bought it some time ago

we should have to charge you \$2.75,

for, as you are doubtless aware, owing

to the recent epidemic among the

silkworms, the price of silk has in-

creased enormously of late.

The customer took the silk. A few days later

the same old woman came in and

asked for some tape. The clerk said

glibly:

"Here is some that we can let you

have at 10 cents the dozen yards.

It wasn't for the fact that we have

had it in stock some time we should

have to charge 25 cents for, as you

are doubtless aware, owing to the re-

cent epidemic among the tape-

worms, the price of tape has gone

up enormously.

It was then she hit him with her umbrella.

She is come that we can let you

have at 10 cents the dozen yards.

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have to charge 25 cents for, as you

are doubtless aware, owing to the re-

cent epidemic among the tape-

worms, the price of tape has gone

up enormously.

It was then she hit him with her umbrella.

She is come that we can let you

have at 10 cents the dozen yards.

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